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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR EXPANSION OF THE COLVILLE RIVER UNIT

The Department of Natural Resources gives notice under 11 AAC 83.311 of an application to expand the Colville River Unit (CRU) area. The proposed expansion area is located on the North Slope, and to the west-southwest of the current CRU boundary. ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc., P.O. Box 100360, Anchorage, Alaska 99510, the CRU Operator, filed the application with the Division of Oil and Gas on July 9, 2009.

Approval of the unit expansion would not limit or diminish access to public lands or public or navigable waters beyond any limitations already contained in the individual oil and gas leases proposed to be included in the unit. Exploration and development of the proposed expansion area would occur in accordance with an approved unit plan of exploration and development.

The proposed CRU expansion area covers approximately 16,405 acres of which 8,207 acres are Federal-only lands, 7,592 acres are Arctic Slope Regional Corporation (ASRC) lands, and 606 acres are jointly held State-ASRC lands, and includes all or portions of the following:

Federal-only lands: T11N-R3E, U.M., Sec. 10-11, 13-14, 23-26, 36.
T11N-R4E, U.M., Sec. 19-20, 30-31.


ASRC-only lands: T10N-R4E, U.M., Sec. 3-5.
T11N-R3E, U.M., Sec. 1-3, 12.
T11N-R4E, U.M., Sec. 6, 17-18, 29, 32.

Joint State/ASRC lands: T10N-R4E, U.M., Sec. 1-2.

Copies of the nonconfidential portions of the application, including accompanying exhibits and materials, may be obtained at the Division of Oil and Gas, Lease Administration, 550 West 7th Ave., Suite 800, or by writing the Division of Oil and Gas, Units Section, 550 West 7th Ave., Suite 800, Anchorage, AK 99501-3560. The department charges a photocopy fee of \$0.25 per sheet. 11 AAC 05.010(a)(16)(C).

Any person may file written comments on the application. Comments must be received by August 24, 2009, and should be mailed to the Division of Oil and Gas, at the above address, to the attention of Michael D. Kotowski, Units Manager. The Department will review and consider all timely written

comments. The Commissioner will approve or disapprove the proposed unit expansion application considering the criteria contained in 11 AAC 83.303, within 60 days after the close of the public comment period.



Kevin R. Banks, Director

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